

REMARKS

Claims 1-12 are currently pending in this application. Applicants have amended the specification to correct minor typographical errors. The changes made to the specification are fully supported by the drawings and/or specification. No new matter was added. Claims 8 and 11 were corrected to address the Examiner's 112 rejection. Also, claim 1 has been amended to clearly describe the relationship between various parts of the circuit interrupting device. Applicants now believe that the amendments made to claims 1, 8 and 11 have fully addressed the issues raised by the Examiner and thus Applicants respectfully request that the 112 rejections be withdrawn. Claims 2, 3, 4 and 11 have also been amended. Claims 5 and 6 have been cancelled.

The Examiner has also rejected claims 1-12 under 35 USC 103 as being unpatentable over Keung et al. Applicants believe that the Examiner's 103 rejection is moot in view of the amendments made to the independent claims 1, 8 and 11. In particular none of the references cited (US patent no. 5,933,063 and 5,694,280) disclose a circuit interrupting device which has a line, load and face terminal (or electrical conductors) which are electrically isolated from each other and also an electrical conductor connected to the line terminal that is able to electrically connect the line terminal to the load and face terminals.

Request for Reconsideration pursuant to 37 CFR 1.111

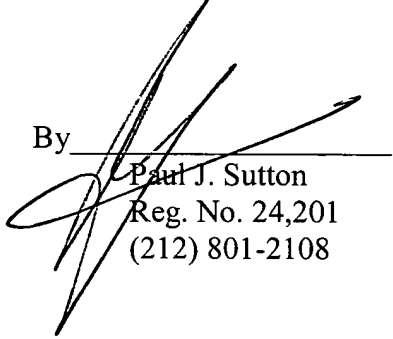
Having responded to each and every ground for objection and rejection in the Office Action mailed on November 17, 2004, Applicants requests reconsideration in the instant application pursuant to 37 CFR 1.111 and requests that the Examiner allow claims 1-12 and pass the application to issue. If there is any point requiring further attention

prior to allowance, the Examiner is asked to contact Applicant's counsel who can be reached at the telephone number listed below.

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